

III. REMARKS

1. Claims 1, 8, 11 and 16 are amended.
2. Applicant appreciates the Examiner's indications of allowable subject matter.
3. Claims 1, 8, 11, and 16 are not unpatentable over Forslow in view of Titmus and Yang under 35 U.S.C. §103 (a).

The noted claims are amended to recite defining a compression of header fields "requiring a bi-directional connection." (see e.g. page 9, paragraph [0026]) This feature is not disclosed or suggested by the combination of Forslow, Titmus and Yang.

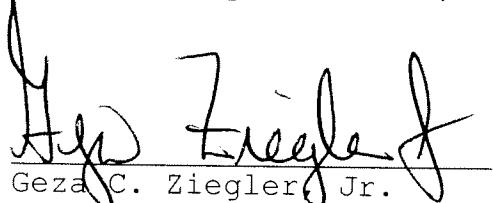
Furthermore, the combination of references does not disclose or suggest that a header compression method is defined first and then the radio bearer resources for the terminal are defined. Rather, Col. 12, lines 29-34, referred to by the Examiner only teaches that a header compression method can be defined only after defining the parameters of the radio bearer. This is referred to, for example, in Col. 12, lines 35-41, where it is stated that "the selection of a particular type of bearer and the mapping of quality of service parameters" are performed. There is no disclosure here or elsewhere in the combination references related to defining the header compression method and then defining the radio bearer resources as claimed by Applicant. It is submitted that Forslow is silent as to the capacity of the defined header field compression method.

Additionally, the combination of references does not address the problems caused by using an application based capacity allocation together with a header compression method that requires a bi-directional connection. As claimed by Applicant a predetermined

header field compression method requiring a bi-directional connection is taken into account when defining the radio bearer resources for the terminal. This is not addressed by the combination of references. Thus, claims 1, 8, 11, and 16 should be allowable.

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